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University administrators report to Texas Senate

By Aaron May

Staff Writer

University officials spoke before the state Senate Finance Committee in Austin on Thursday to provide updates on the University's cost cutting measures as the committee plans this year's budget.

University President Rodney Mabry spoke about how the University is working to cut expenses through the recently instituted energy management plan, flexible hiring freeze and curtailment of travel and equipment expenses, Gregg Lassen, vice president for business affairs, said.

Lassen also said the energy conservation effort is working well so far.

"People are turning the lights off when they leave

for lunch," he said.

The emergency management plan included adjusting thermostats, shutting off lights in unused areas of campus buildings and reducing the number of appliances being used on campus, Lassen said.

LOOKING AHEAD

Lassen said the University's long-term priorities have not changed in spite of the current financial situation.

"We realize we're not immune to the national economic situation," Lassen said. "Some institutions are laying off employees. So far, we have not had to do that."

At Tuesday's University Council meeting, Lassen told faculty members that the small sacrifices he

is asking people to make now could prevent larger sacrifices later.

"When a family has a financial hardship they don't sell the children," he said. "They look for other ways to make ends meet. They also may not have any more children for a while."

He also said it is still too early to know the full impact the State Legislative session will have on higher education spending.

Lassen said university enrollment typically increases during economic downturns as the unemployed seek better job opportunities through obtaining a degree.

He said the effect the economy has on University students is still unknown, as some may believe they

can't afford to stay in school.

CONNECTION WITH TEACHERS

Lassen said Thursday's meeting was also "an opportunity for university presidents to discuss what makes their institutions unique."

"We all do different things," he said. "While we're still growing in research areas, we're not in the same category as UT at Dallas or Austin."

He said the University is more focused on being a "high quality teaching campus."

"Flag-ship schools may have world renowned professors, but they are often locked away in laboratories," Lassen said.

He said UT Tyler is unique because of the level of interaction students have with tenured professors.

Storm leaves its mark on Perkins scoreboard

By Aaron May

Staff Writer

University officials continue to assess damages left in the wake of Tuesday night's thunderstorm, which knocked down trees on campus and tore off the display on the backside of the soccer field scoreboard.

The storm packed lightning, hail and winds greater than 50 mph, according to weather experts.

University officials plan to repair the scoreboard but the cost is still unknown, Gregg Lassen, vice president for business affairs said.

"We can't budget for events like this," Lassen said. "We do have a general maintenance fund, which we can pull from."

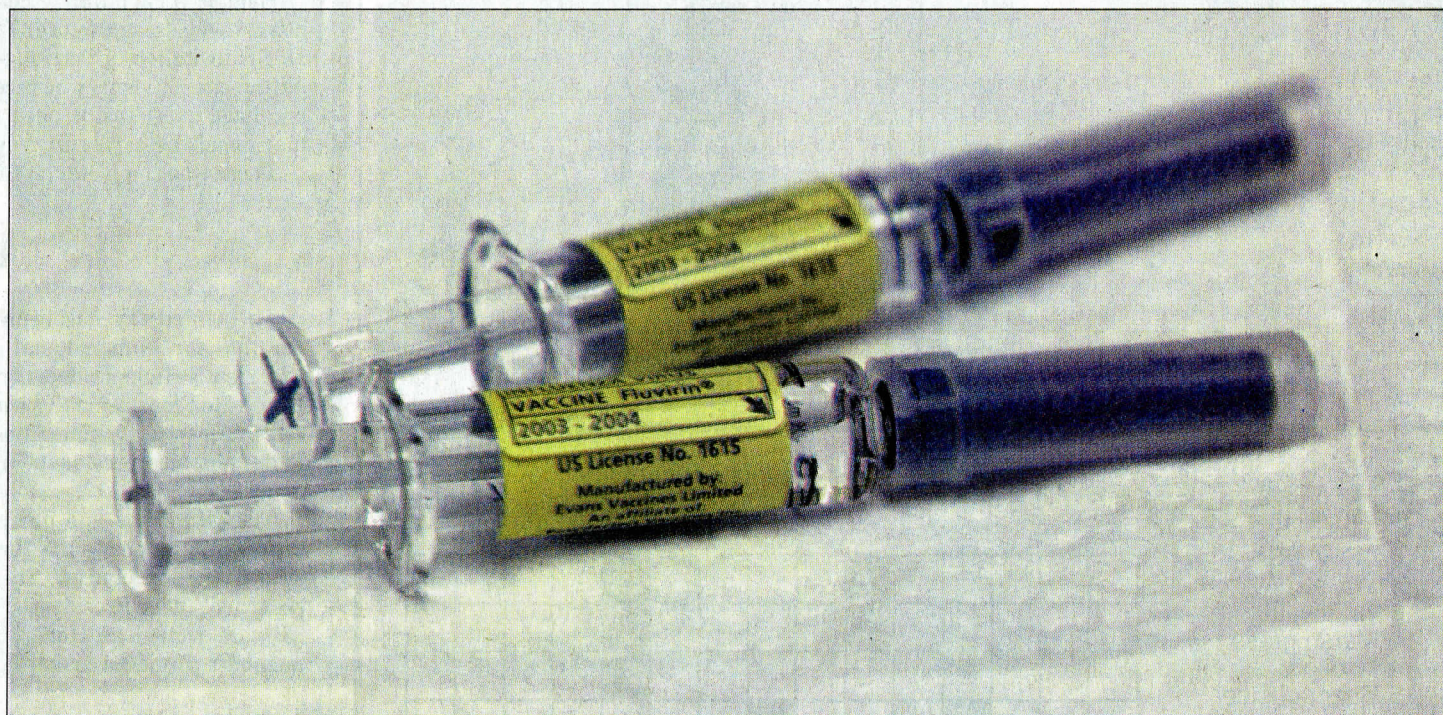
The NWS also received reports of strong straight-line winds and up to golf ball-sized hail all across Smith County.

Jeff Akin, public information officer for Tyler Fire Department, said the department responded to calls for fallen power lines in the city.

"When storms come through, we usually have a few power lines get knocked down due to broken tree branches," Akin said. "We dispatch trucks to the scene until the power company arrives."

Akin said, based on his experience, Tuesday's storm was not very bad.

"We've had storms where we would get more than 30 weather related calls," he said. "Tuesday night, we only received about



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Ely season in full swing

which we can pull from. The National Weather Service radar showed a line of thunderstorms, which extended as far south as San Antonio and north to Kansas.

night, we only received about six." Payton Low, representative for the University's emergency man-

WEATHER » 4

PATH asks for toilet paper donations to help poor

By Joseph Elerson
Staff Writer

If you see a portable toilet in the Herrington Patriot Center decorated as a space shuttle, there is a good reason behind the spectacle.

People Attempting to Help is asking for citizens of Tyler to drop new packages of toilet paper into the portable toilet, located at five different stations during the first Great Potty Paper Pick-Up offered March 2-31 at five different locations.

The idea came about when AAA Sanitation Company set up an interview with PATH to discuss ways to bring the two companies together.

"LaKeidra Lincoln, a representative from AAA Sanitation Company, came to PATH several months ago looking for a way in which their company could become an active partner with our agency," said Becky Duncan, Community Outreach Coordinator for PATH. "It seemed a perfect partnership to collect 'potty paper' in their port-a-potties."

SGA President Kerrie Ambort believes this event is perfect for the University as another service project.

"The Great Potty Paper Pick-up is a wonderful, student led initiative and provides a positive way for all University students to give back to our community," Ambort said. AAA Sanitation is scheduled to deliver portable toilets to PATH, Broadway Square Mall, the Downtown Square, Tyler Junior College and the University throughout the month of February.

"They are giving us the portable toilet on Tuesday and they will take the tops off of them so that people can throw the toilet paper in them," SGA Secretary Alyssa Dorman said.

A representative from PATH attended a Student Organization President's Council meeting to present the idea to organizations to see if they could gain interest in the drive and rally support.

"PATH has collected toilet tis-

POTTY » 4

By Joseph Elerson
Staff Writer

With flu season in full force, the University Health Clinic and the University of Texas Health Science Center in Tyler are seeing fewer reported cases than one year ago.

"So far, the numbers are less than what they were last year in Texas," said Dr. Patti Olusola, assistant professor of family medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center. "We are still fairly early in the season so these numbers are low for us."

At the University Health Center, Dr. Lee Schrieber, an assistant professor of family medicine and the physician at the University Health Center, said he has seen only two flu cases from the general public in the past week for the influenza virus. Kerry Scruggs, a nurse practitioner at the clinic, sees most of the student patients and was unavailable for comment.

The flu, known scientifically as the influenza virus, is a highly contagious respiratory infection caused by the influenza A and B viruses.

If people start to feel the symptoms of high fever, headache, muscle aches, chills, cough and runny nose, experts recommend seeking medical assistance.

"Contact a physician immediately because if you wait over 48 hours, then we will not be able to give you prevention medicine and we will just let it run its course," Dr. Olusola said.

The influenza virus usually enters the body through mucus membranes in the mouth, nose or eyes. When a person with the flu coughs or sneezes, the virus then becomes airborne and can be inhaled by anyone nearby, according to the Web site flufacts.com.

Some people, such as older adults, young

children and people with specific health conditions are at a high risk for serious flu complications. In extreme cases, complications can lead to death, experts said.

On average in the United States per year, 5 percent to 20 percent of the population gets the flu; more than 20,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications and about 36,000 people die from the flu according to the website flufacts.com.

Dr. Olusola said that people who think they might be getting the flu should take precautionary measures. The flu season normally runs from November to March, but in Texas it runs from December to March.

"They need to get vaccinated with the flu shot as soon as they become available and we start giving them out the first week of October," she said. "Other ways that people can prevent getting the flu are daily hand washing, making sure that they have no contact with others who have the virus and contacting a physician as soon as they get it to start receiving prevention medication."

The University Corner Store employees reported sales of flu medicine have increased during this flu season. The store offers Dayquil, Nyquil and other types of preventive medicines.

Flu vaccines are also being offered at the Health Science Center, but Dr. Schrieber said with the time frame remaining for the flu it could be best to let it run its course.

"I would say that it is too late in the game to get a flu shot because they take two-to-four weeks to work," he said. "By the time that happens, we are already in March and that is when the season ends."

What is the flu?

A contagious respiratory illness caused by flu viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness and, at times, can lead to death. Symptoms may include:

- Fever (usually high)
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Body aches
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Diarrhea and vomiting (more common among children than adults)

Will this year's flu season be bad?

There's no way to know, experts say. But we do know that in the U.S. on average:

5 percent to 20 percent of the population will get the flu this year.

200,000 hospitalizations result each year from flu complications. Ten percent of those hospitalized are under 18.

36,000 deaths result each year from flu complications.

Does the vaccine work?

Effectiveness varies from 70 percent to 90 percent in healthy adults. In 16 of the last 20 flu seasons, the viruses in the vaccine have been well matched to the predominant circulating viruses. Vaccines take about two weeks to provide protection against the flu. *Source: Centers for Disease Control*

Bonds remain strong one year after shooting

By Megan Twohey
Chicago Tribune
(MCT)

CHICAGO - Sherman Yau welcomes the chance to talk about how a suicidal gunman shot him at Northern Illinois University last Valentine's Day. Sharing the experience, he says, has been essential to his healing.

It's even part of his Facebook profile, which reads: "I got shot, but no big deal. ... If you ever see me walking around, ask me for the full story."

The junior from Naperville, Ill., tells a story of courage and survival, as does the university. But a year after five students were killed and 21 injured in one of the nation's worst campus massacres,

NIU also finds itself significantly altered.

Demand for counseling has soared across campus, as many struggle with enduring pain. Kristie Bongiovanni, who once was academic adviser to the shooter, Steven Kazmierczak, suffers anger and sorrow every day.

At the same time, school spirit continues to rise. Students and alumni snap up anything with a Huskies logo - T-shirts, pins, bumper stickers. The "Forward Together Forward" rallying cry remains highly visible.

And despite the rocky economy, nearly \$1 million in private donations poured in for scholarships in the victims' names.

SHOOTING » 4

SGA sponsors town hall style meeting

By Joseph Elerson
Staff Writer

A town hall meeting is scheduled for Feb. 26 at 3 p.m. for students to express opinions related to campus life.

The event, which is sponsored by Student Government Association, is an open forum for students to address issues from parking, student life, construction and food services on campus.

Dr. Lou Ann Berman, assistant vice president for student life; Gregg Lassen, vice president for busi-

ness affairs; Dr. Howard Patterson, vice president for student affairs; and Shannon Mariani, director of food services, are scheduled to appear.

Students who wish to remain anonymous during the public forum are allowed to submit questions before the start of the event.

Details and the location of the event are to be determined and the public is invited to attend, SGA president Kerrie Ambort said.

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POLICE REPORTS

The Patriot Talon collected the following information from police reports issued by the University Police Department and Tyler Police Department between Feb. 3 and Feb. 12.

University Police responded to the back gate of University Pines Apartments on Thursday after maintenance workers reported the pedestrian entrance was damaged.

Sgt. Robert Burgett said the electronic card reader, which unlocks the pedestrian entrance, was damaged.

He said police did not interview any witnesses and no arrests were made.

The damage to the system is estimated to be \$500.

Feb. 3 - Someone reported his vehicle was bumped in a parking lot on campus. No location was given in the report.

Feb. 5 - A motor vehicle accident was reported on Campus Drive near parking Lot 14.

Feb. 5 - A truck backed into a utility vehicle in parking Lot 8. The utility vehicle reportedly received minor damage.

Feb. 6 - A person reported her vehicle was hit on campus. No location was given in the report.

Feb. 6 - Someone reported a black and gray pair of headphones stolen from the business building.

Feb. 6 - A motor vehicle accident was reported in parking Lot 10.

Feb. 7 - The rear-view mirror of a white 1993 Buick was damaged while parked near the business building. The damage to the vehicle is estimated to be \$500.

Feb. 7 - Tyler Police responded to a disturbance call at The Cambridge apartments. Police arrested one person for outstanding warrants.

Feb. 7 - Someone reported a 80GB iPod and a laptop stolen from The Cambridge apartments. The report also indicated a blue Suzuki motorcycle was damaged.

Feb. 7 - Police arrested one person at The Cambridge apartments. The person was issued a citation for disorderly conduct and released.

Feb. 7 - Tyler Police responded to The Cambridge apartments after someone reported approximately \$250 in clothing was destroyed.

Feb. 9 - Someone reported her car was damaged in parking Lot 9.



"Oh my gosh — so sorry!
Those were extensions!"

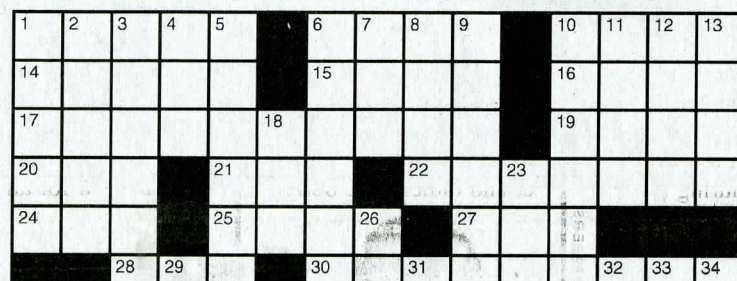


"I did the math, and I'm telling
you I have two left!"

Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Trails
- 6 Gratify fully
- 10 Marsh grass
- 14 Foreign
- 15 Razor choice
- 16 How some sit by
- 17 Strong acids
- 19 Clamp
- 20 180 degrees



NEWS BRIEFS

Dr. Tabri to lead Great Decisions discussion

Dr. Edward Tabri, associate professor of history at the University of Texas at Tyler (UT Tyler), will lead a discussion entitled "Border Patrol: Pakistan and Afghanistan" at noon on Feb. 18 at the Tyler Public Library's Taylor Auditorium, 201 S College.

The timely program will center on the United States' policies concerning this increasingly dangerous hot spot.

The community dialogue about Afghanistan and Pakistan is the second meeting of the Great Decisions 2009 series of programs. The discussions last one hour, from noon to 1 p.m., with an option for participants to continue the interchange for another half hour.

The public is encouraged to attend the free series.

Before joining the faculty at UT Tyler in 2001, Dr. Tabri taught at Ohio State University, Columbus State Community College, and the University of Cincinnati.

He is an accomplished speaker and has delivered many papers at professional meetings, as well as other venues.

In 2004, he published *Political Culture in the Early Northern Renaissance: the Court of Charles the Bold, Duke of Burgundy 1467-1477* to positive reviews that praised both his expertise and the readability of his prose.

Great Decisions is a project of the Foreign Policy Association (FPA), a 90 year old national organization.

In Tyler, the series is sponsored by the American Association of University Women, Tyler Branch; the League of Women Voters (LWV)-Tyler/Smith County; and the Tyler Public Library.

The Great Decision Steering Committee, chaired by Bonnie Hardaway, invites all individuals who want to expand their knowledge of international relations and engage in active dialogue on crucial global issues to attend.

Briefing books published by FPA contain a well-researched article about each of the eight topics for 2009. The books are available for sale at the Tyler Public Library, which also makes copies available to read in the reference department and to check out and take home.

Students invited to participate in NSSE survey

Randomly-selected University freshmen and seniors are asked to participate in the National Survey of Student Engagement.

Eligible students may complete the NSSE at <http://www.nssesurvey.org>. The login ID from the NSSE invitation in Patriot e-mail is necessary to participate. Students who receive the NSSE e-mail and have questions or need additional assistance may e-mail: help@nssesurvey.org.

Those who complete the survey will receive a \$5

gift coupon good to any of the UT Tyler campus dining services. The coupons are available in the University Center addition, room 210. This offer will continue until May 31.

Completing the NSSE will provide the university with information to help improve curriculum, campus activities and the overall college experience.

For more information, visit <http://www.nsse.iub.edu>.

University named in honor roll

The University has been named to the Corporation for National and Community Service President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service efforts and service to America's communities in 2008, Dr. Howard Patterson, vice president for student affairs, announced.

The University was one of 546 schools across the country named to the Honor Roll. Overall, 635 schools were recognized. The corporation honored six schools with Presidential Awards. In addition, 83 were named as Honor Roll with Distinction members. To view a complete list of 2008 awardees,

visit <http://www.nationalservice.gov/honorroll>.

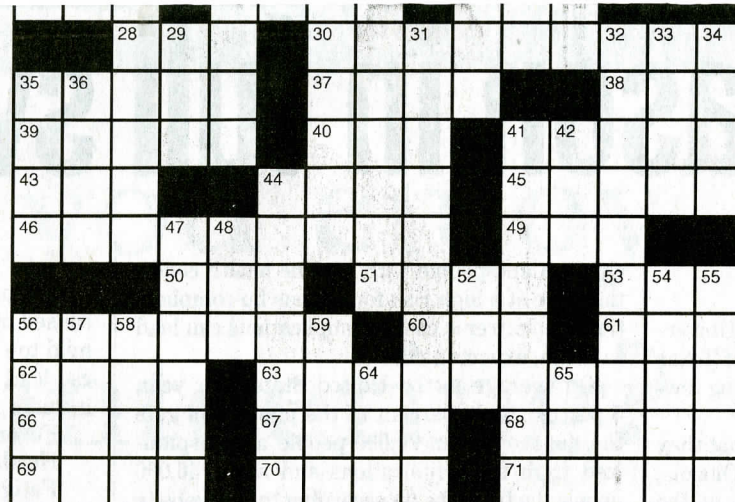
"We are proud of the service contributions that our students provide," said Dr. Lou Ann Berman, assistant vice president for student life. "The leadership of our faculty and staff facilitates an ongoing commitment for fulfilling the mission of UT Tyler to provide meaningful community service opportunities that enhance the lives of others, while enriching the education experience of our students. This recognition will inspire us to continue seeking new volunteer opportunities through service-learning in our classrooms that will soon include service opportunities beyond our national borders."

Outdoor adventures

The University will offer a trip to Maine and the surrounding areas July 20 - Aug. 1 through the

s of even the most hardcore outdoor enthusiast," said Henler. "All campers will participate in a wide

- 20 180 degrees from WSW
21 Change in a car?
22 1st pope
24 Blue Hen st.
25 Stepped (on)
27 Auricle
28 Actor Wallach
30 Towards the back
35 Ford flop
37 Portent
38 Wide width
39 Walk casually
40 Unk. visitor
41 Longfellow character
43 Comic Brooks
44 King of the jungle
45 Hot bread
46 Lack of balance
49 Newman movie
50 Singer Janis
51 Darth, not Vader
53 Gymnast's cushion
56 Southwestern Colorado city
60 Play for a sap
61 ___ had it up to here!
62 Simians
63 Robert Redford movie
66 News bite
67 Tip
68 Cyber note
69 Divan
70 Lays the lawn
71 Actress Field



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Solutions



- DOWN**
1 Took measured steps
2 Nonpareil
3 Without fatigue
4 That girl
5 In an arrogant way

- 6 Young boy's ensemble
7 Off-road 4-wheeler
8 Very in Vichy
9 Part of EST
10 Chita of "West Side Story"
11 Revise text
12 If not, then
13 Bleached blonde, e.g.
18 Man's title
23 Touch rudely
26 Godlike
29 Spike of films
31 Sob Sisters
32 Species of butterfly
33 Low marks
34 Mailed out
35 Thompson of "Dead Again"
36 Performs
41 Track figures
42 Reed or Rawls
44 Racecourse measures

- 47 Foreboding atmosphere
48 Isle of ___
52 Dos Passos work
54 Effective use
55 Actor Savalas
56 Platform
57 Involved in
58 Coral colony
59 Indiana neighbor
64 Denouement
65 Actress Thurman

The University will offer a trip to Maine and the surrounding areas July 20 - Aug. 1 through the University's Outdoor Adventures program.

The camp is open to both students and the public. Cost for students is \$850, which includes airfare, all activities, lodging/camping, a fitness program and most food or \$500, which excludes airfare. Cost for non-students is \$2,000 or \$1,650, respectively.

Those interested may register at the Herrington Patriot Center membership office. Space is limited and sign-ups begin Monday. Bob Hepler, HPC director and cross country coach, will lead the excursion.

"The UT Tyler New England Outdoor Adventure Camp is designed to exceed the expectation

s of even the most hardcore outdoor enthusiast," said Hepler. "All campers will participate in a wide assortment of activities to fully explore New England, including river rafting, kayaking, rock climbing, canoeing, hiking, mountain biking and swimming. In addition, there will be optional fitness opportunities each morning."

Participants also will tour a lighthouse, attend a lobster boat cruise, visit Acadia National Park and have a lobster feed.

The Outdoor Adventures program began in 2005 to provide students with various fellowship opportunities in outdoor settings.

For more information, contact Hepler, 903.565.5571 or bhepler@uttyler.edu.

Clarification

A page 1 story that ran Feb. 9 in the Patriot Talon described service options offered through the Office of Student Services. A total of 1,400 students received counseling services only in 2008 through the center. Approximately 800-plus additional students were affected through crisis intervention efforts, residential life training, classroom seminars,

health fairs and nursing orientations. The counseling center also has many contacts with faculty and staff to encourage students. However, students who received wellness prevention and testing services are not included in that figure, according to Ida MacDonald, director of student services.

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TEST YOUR black history KNOWLEDGE

It's 2009 and black Americans are making historic strides. This has certainly been an era of firsts.

But we can't tell you what they all are. That's the point of this Black History Month Quiz, along with reminding you of past achievements.

Grab a piece of paper and test your knowledge on these freehand questions (no multiple choice guessing for you!). Let's see if you have been taking notes about these important facts.

— Bridgette A. Lacy and Kristin Collins, McClatchy Newspapers

1 Name the first black head coaches to lead their teams to the Super Bowl.

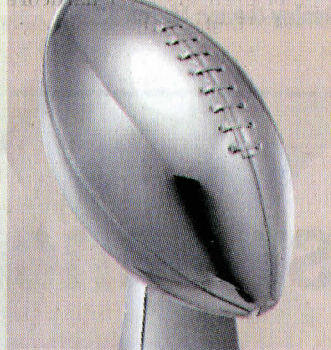
2 Name the first black actress to win an Academy Award for Best Actress.



3 What religious denomination was founded by blacks who objected to sitting in a separate gallery during church services?

4 President Barack Obama talks a lot about his mixed heritage. Identify where his mother and father were born.

5 What constitutional amendment, ratified in 1868, guaranteed equal protection under the law for all people?



6 Where was the first sit-in at a segregated lunch counter, staged by four black students in 1960?



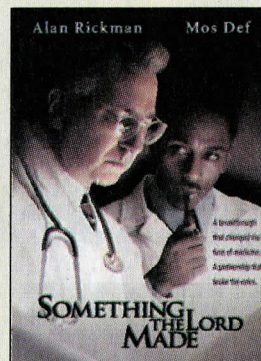
7 In 1924, Gwendolyn Brooks was the first black person to win the Pulitzer Prize, winning for poetry. True or False?



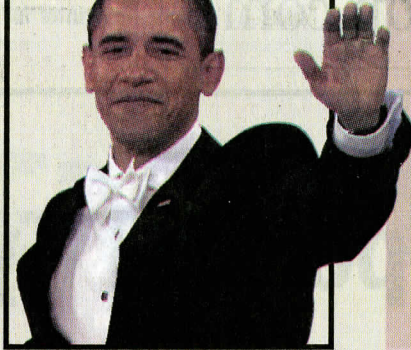
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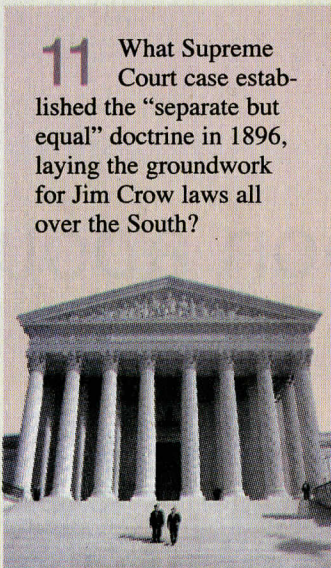
8 The movie "Something The Lord Made" is based on the true life of:



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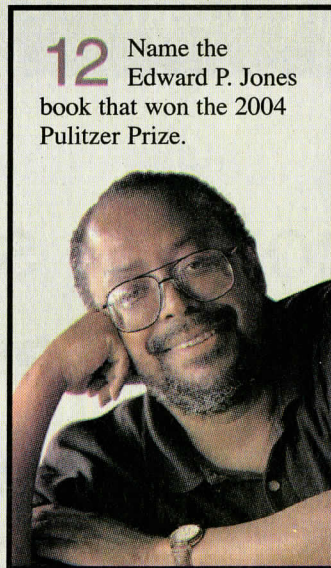


10 Charles Waddell Chesnutt, an honoree in the popular Black Heritage commemorative stamp series issued by the U.S. Postal Service, is considered the first black writer to receive major acclaim. True or False?



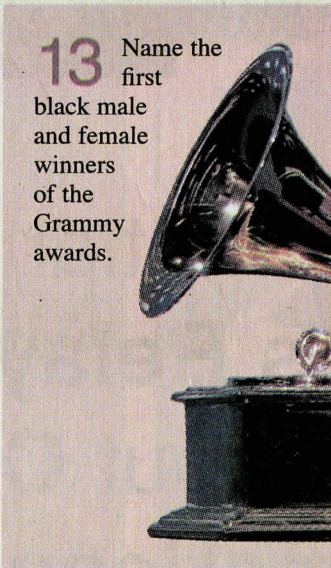
11 What Supreme Court case established the "separate but equal" doctrine in 1896, laying the groundwork for Jim Crow laws all over the South?

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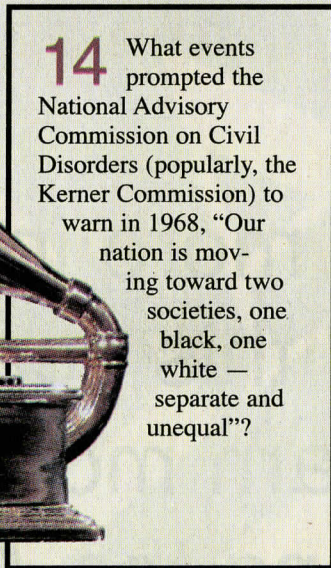


12 Name the Edward P. Jones book that won the 2004 Pulitzer Prize.

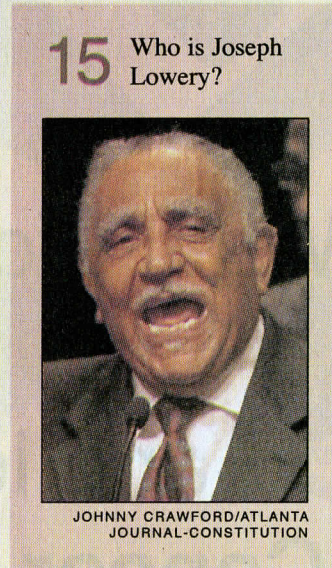
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13 Name the first black male and female winners of the Grammy awards.



14 What events prompted the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders (popularly, the Kerner Commission) to warn in 1968, "Our nation is moving toward two societies, one black, one white — separate and unequal"?



15 Who is Joseph Lowery?

JOHNNY CRAWFORD/ATLANTA JOURNAL-CONSTITUTION

ANSWERS: 1. Both the Chicago Bear's Lovie Smith and the Indianapolis Colts' Tony Dungy became the first black head coaches to take their teams to the Super Bowl, when the two met in the 2007 game. The Colts won the game 29-17. 2. Halle Berry won the Best Actress Oscar in 2002 for her roll in "Monster's Ball." 3. African Methodist Episcopal. 4. Barack Obama, Sr., was born in Kenya. Obama's mother, Ann Dunham, grew up in Kansas. 5. The Fourteenth Amendment. 6. At a Woolworths department store in Greensboro, N.C. 7. False. Brooks became the first black Pulitzer winner in 1950. 8. Vivien T. Thomas, a black surgical technician. 9. Spike Lee made the documentary, "When the Levees Broke: A Requiem in Four Acts." 10. True. 11. Plessy v. Ferguson. 12. "The Known World." 13. In 1958, both Count Basie and Ella Fitzgerald won at the first Grammy Awards. 14. More than 100 inner city riots in the summer of 1967. 15. Rev. Joseph Lowery in a United Methodist minister and a leader in the Civil Rights movement. He delivered the benediction at the 2009 inauguration of President Barack Obama.

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Potty

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sue for many years, but this is the first ever Potty Paper Pick-Up drive," Duncan said. "It is wonderful to have students involved in giving back to the community in such a positive manner.

PATH is requesting toilet paper only, said Becky Duncan, PATH Community Outreach Coordinator, to help replenish their pantry during these tough economic times.

"Toilet tissue is an item that everyone needs, but cannot be purchased with food stamps, which many of our clients rely upon to care for their families," Duncan said. "Nor is it an item which we can purchase at the food bank, where we (PATH) purchase much of the food that we give to clients who seek assistance from our pantry. It is vitally important that everyone who can help do it now."

Paper donations are scheduled to be collected on a weekly basis and taken to the PATH facility at 402 W. Front St. for distribution to the public.

A decorating contest is scheduled to take place beginning Feb. 16-March 2 for each of the locations with prizes to be determined.

Judging is expected to last throughout the month of March with the winner announced March 24 during a press conference.

Dorman said they decided to head up the initiative because it was the right thing to do for the

community.

"I guess we would like to see a closer connection with the Tyler community and a way for students to get involved with volunteering," she said. "At the SOPC meeting, there were people interested but nobody got the information to know what they needed to do. Nobody was taking the initiative to get it done so we felt like it really needed to be done for our campus."

The mission of PATH according to their website is to serve, through well-equipped volunteers, the economically disadvantaged people in Smith County with both emergency assistance and programs to empower and encourage them to become productive citizens.

Duncan said PATH officials are hoping for a great turnout for the drive, but no goal has been set on the numbers of rolls they are expecting to receive through donations.

"We don't know exactly what to expect, since we have not ever had a drive exactly like this one," she said. "What we know is that the people who live and go to school in East Texas are extremely generous and thoughtful and love to have a good time. A Potty Paper Pick-Up drive should give everyone an opportunity to do both: be generous and have a good time."

Weather

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agement team, said no tornadoes were reported in Smith County on Tuesday.

"University officials monitored the weather throughout the event," Low said. "We were

prepared to notify the campus via text message and the outdoor warning system if there had been a threat of immediate danger."

Shooting

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Moving forward can be difficult. It doesn't help that no changes have been made to Cole Hall, where Kazmierczak opened fire with a Remington shotgun and Glock 9 mm handgun before taking his own life. Millions of renovation dollars promised by the state have not materialized, and the windowless, brick building remains shuttered.

Nationally, NIU's response to the massacre has become a case study in how colleges can best prepare for emergencies. After several reviews, the university made only slight tweaks to its campus-security and communication procedures. Its board of trustees made no policy changes.

"We kept looking for terrible things that happened that needed to be corrected, but we found none," said Cherilyn Murer, the board's chair.

Some predictions never came true. The feared big exodus of students did not happen. Of 157 students who were in the geology

class inexplicably targeted by Kazmierczak, only 19 did not return to campus this school year.

The university's overall enrollment dropped by nearly 900 students, but the school insists that was mostly a result of the economy, and some other colleges in Illinois experienced similar dips. Freshmen applications actually went up for this school year and are arriving in similar numbers for 2009-10.

John Peters, NIU's president, continues to draw praise for the calm, caring and transparent way he handled the tragedy. He was quick to share information, reached out to faculty, staff and students, and created a new office to provide assistance to the hundreds of students directly affected by the shootings.

Since the shootings, NIU has hired private security for its dorms, introduced text messages as a way to communicate with the

campus community, and trained professors to look out for signs of troubled students.

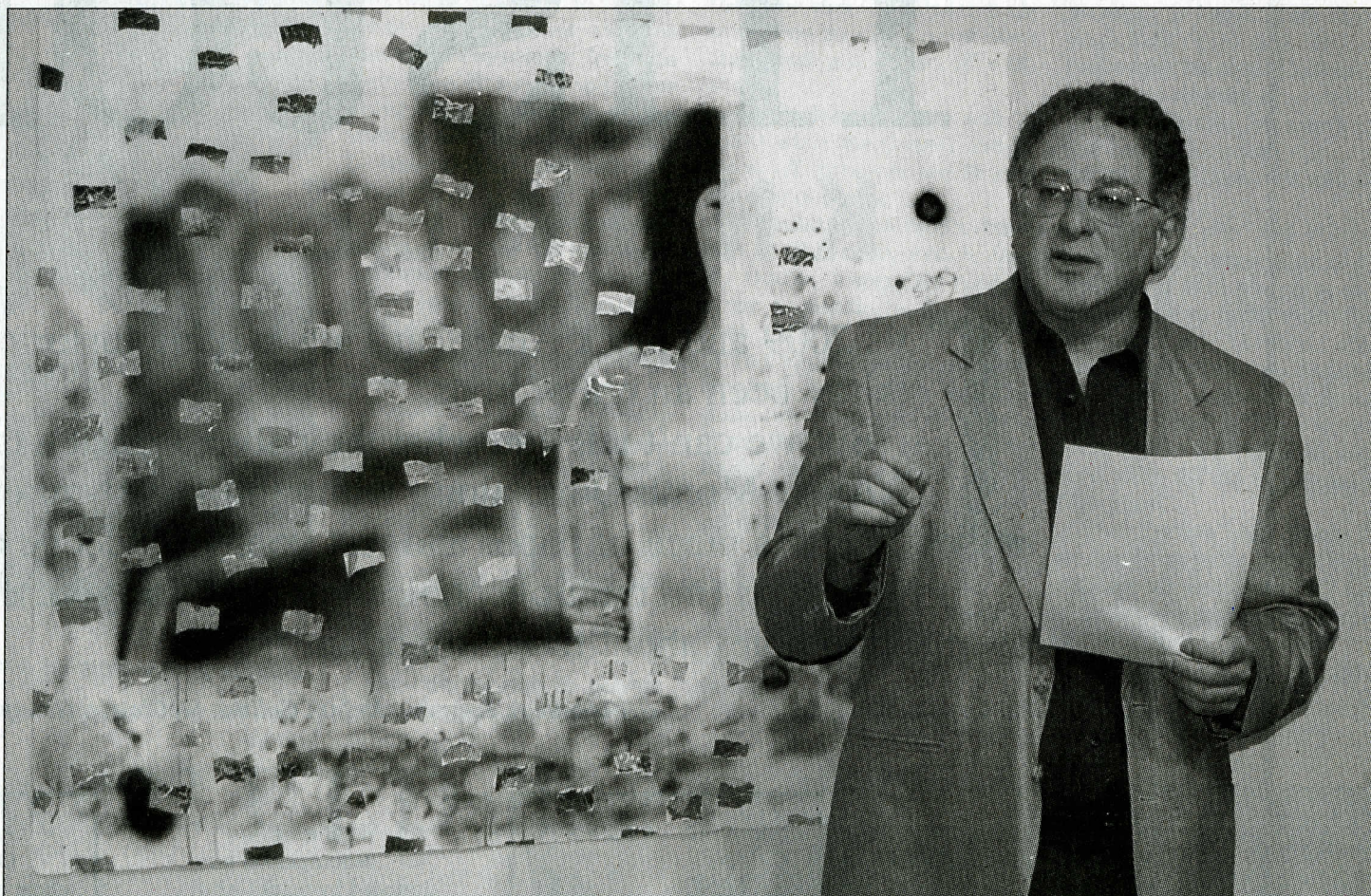
Campus Police Chief Donald Grady also has achieved near-celebrity status. His department's swift, efficient response is considered a model for what to do right.

"I recently saw the police chief and went up to him and said, 'Thank you so much,'" said Stephanie Allen, a junior. "Everyone really appreciates everything they have done."

Allen, a longtime friend of Gayle Dubowski, who died in the shootings, recently got a black ribbon with a pink heart tattooed on her ankle to serve as a permanent reminder of the tragedy.

She and other students and staff talk about greater caring on campus.

"The sense of community here is a lot more prominent," said senior Caitlin Mullen, an editor at the Northern Star, the student newspaper.



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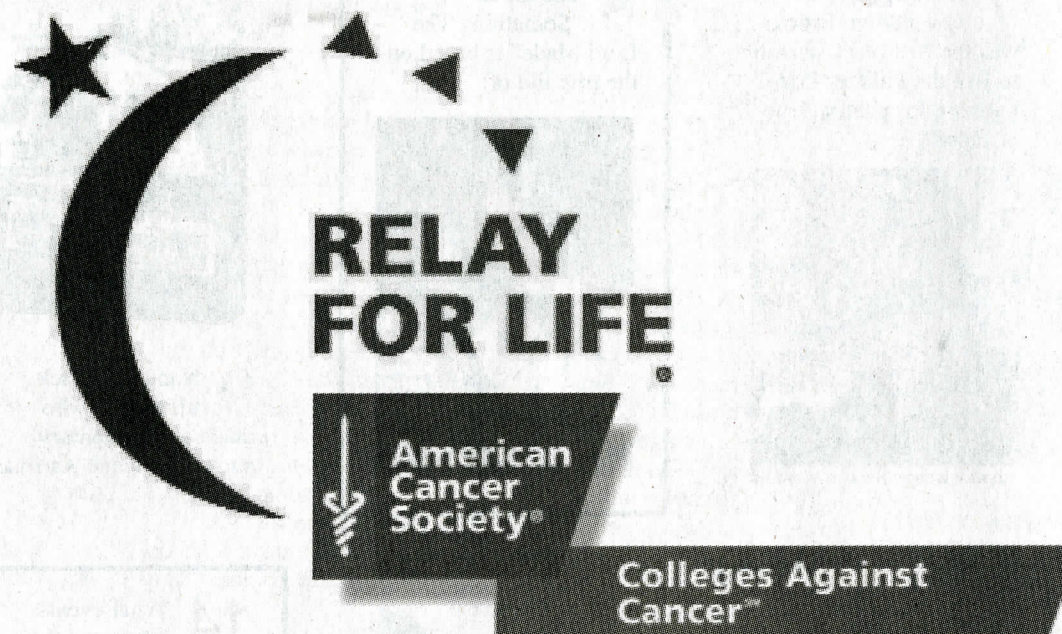
Art exhibition juror Andrew Rubin on Thursday evening at the Meadows Gallery. Rubin, who selected artwork for the 24th Annual International Exhibition, spoke to students and faculty about how he evaluated applicants for the show and discussed the artwork he chose. Rubin is a master printer for Tandem Press at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The exhibition will be on display through March 13.



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In the Everglades' marshes, unseen invaders create havoc

By Curtis Morgan

McClatchy Newspapers
(MCT)

MIAMI _ The small pond six miles deep in Everglades National Park suddenly began bubbling like a pot aboil _ a telltale sign of air-slurping walking catfish.

Dave Hallac, the park's chief biologist, dipped a net into the muddy commotion and hauled up a mess of wriggling slime so hefty it surprised even him. He counted out 56 fish from a single scoop.

Walking catfish, along with other species originally imported for somebody's tank or table, outnumbered natives in this shallow, shady bayhead by an unhealthy margin. Unlike giant python, the Glades' most notorious invader, these dinky denizens don't draw attention to their presence by, say, swallowing an alligator and exploding. But for park scientists, their spread is no small concern.

"This is a problem that is 10 times worse than the python, but it's all under water, so nobody knows about it," Hallac said.

Florida's canals and lakes have sheltered tropical imports for decades, with 34 species known to be reproducing. There have long been plenty in the park as well. A weathered sign at the popular Anhinga Trail, built along a pit dredged for road fill, explains that many fish seen from the boardwalk aren't locals.

Since 2000, however, park scientists have charted a surge of invasives. Fishery biologist Jeff Kline documented one species, the African jewelfish, going from nowhere to just about everywhere in less than a decade. That's stunningly swift. At least 16 exotics

have been caught in the park freshwater zone, and some have pushed deep into isolated marshes where tourists never trek.

"In some ways," Kline said, "it's a form of pollution."

Ironically, the prime suspect for the exotic increase is a federal project to revive the park's parched eastern side: basins built to store rain water and runoff from adjacent canals. It's an unintended consequence, Hallac said, that engineers designing future projects to restore the natural flow to the River of Grass will need to consider.

The theory, said Kline, is that exotics move from the basins and canals as summer rains flood the marsh. When waters recede, some manage to survive the same way that natives do _ in caverns called "solution holes" in the limestone bedrock and bayhead pools in the deeper marsh.

There is little dispute that fish from Thailand, Costa Rica and West Africa shouldn't be sharing marshy shallows with shellcrackers and mosquitofish. The big worry is that the boom will disrupt the food chain, with invaders competing with or even eating natives that fatten herons, egrets and other wading birds.

The drainage canals crisscrossing South Florida, deep and warm, offer a perfect refuge for many tropical imports, said Paul Shafland, longtime director of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission nonnative fish lab.

And once they're in an open waterway, they're almost impossible to get out.

"We cannot do that without eliminating 100 percent of everything else," he said.

The FWC outlaws the intentional release of exotics, but, Shafland pointed out, it remains undetermined what, if any, ecological threat they pose.

The walking catfish, an air-breather named for its ability to shimmy short distances on stiffened fins, earned dire headlines in the 1960s as a monster threatening to take over the Glades long before pythons ever slithered into the media spotlight.

The catfish did indeed march across the Glades and much of the state _ at least in the tolerably warm waters of the southern half _ but researchers have yet to pinpoint the effects on natives.

Shafland likened exotic fish to foreign bacteria _ "99.9 percent innocuous" _ with a minute percentage potentially harmful.

"They could create a serious problem somehow, somewhere," Shafland said, but he added, "I believe the aquatic ecosystem is far more resilient and resistant to disturbance than probably people in the park do."

Park scientists acknowledge the uncertainty. Herons certainly can't tell between a three-inch pike killifish, which hails from Central America, and an Everglades killifish. Without a biologist along, neither could most humans. (The invader's tiny snout is



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Fishery biologists Jeffrey Kline (left) and David Hallac (right) put out fish traps to capture exotic fish in Everglades National Park, January 23, 2009.

longer and has more hairlike teeth.)

And there may be little they can do about the invaders already deep in the Glades. Near-freezes, like the one last week, help by killing many of the cold-sensitive tropicals, but populations have historically rebounded, Hallac said.

"It really only sets them back for that season," he said.

Con artist who faked her way into Harvard sentenced to about 4 years

By Jennifer Sullivan

The Seattle Times
(MCT)

SEATTLE _ A Mountlake Terrace High School dropout who assumed the identities of at least three people to get into some of the nation's most prestigious colleges and fraudulently collect more than \$100,000 in student loans will serve about four years in a federal prison.

Esther Reed, 30, conned her way into Harvard and Columbia universities and earned a spot on the U.S. Secret Service's "eight most wanted" list by adopting the identities of several people after she left Washington state a decade ago. Among the identities that Reed assumed was that of Brooke Henson, a woman who vanished from a house party in Travelers Rest, S.C. in 1999.

In 2007, Reed was indicted on several federal charges, including aggravated identity theft. She was arrested a year ago near Chicago.

Lisa Henson, Brooke Henson's sister, who spoke at Reed's sentencing Wednesday in Greenville, S.C.,

asked the judge to impose the harshest sentence possible for dragging their family through the pain of hoping that Brooke had been found.

"I don't think she was sentenced long enough," Henson said by phone Thursday. "When I made my statement (in court) she wouldn't make eye contact with me."

Reed asked for mercy at her sentencing, contending she sought a made-up world to escape a difficult family life.

"I was desperate to escape an environment I felt I could not survive," Reed said, speaking in a strong voice as she stood before the judge in handcuffs, leg shackles and red prison jumpsuit, her long, dark brown hair tied in a ponytail.

Reed pleaded guilty to mail and wire fraud, aggravated identity theft and student loan fraud in August. She was also facing a Social Security violation charge, but it was dropped when she agreed to plead guilty, said W. Walter Wilkins, U.S. Attorney for the District of South Carolina.

Reed will serve three years of supervised release

after getting out of prison, Wilkins said. Reed requested that she serve her time in Pennsylvania so she could be close to a friend.

"I have been involved in this case for almost two years now. We took it on like we would any other identity theft," Wilkins said. "The scheme she was engaged in expanded from the East Coast the West Coast. She was very talented in assuming a third-party's identity."

Henson said Reed smiled and laughed in court on Wednesday, acting as if she had done nothing wrong.

"She sly like a fox. She doesn't want to face anybody who she has done wrong," Henson said.

During her nine years on the run, Reed had claimed to be a European chess champion and dated cadets from the U.S. Military Academy, according to police and court documents. She got a passport, passed a high-school-equivalency test, obtained an Ohio identification card, took an SAT test in California and was accepted to the School of General Studies at Columbia University _ all by using Henson's

identity, according to grand-jury charging documents.

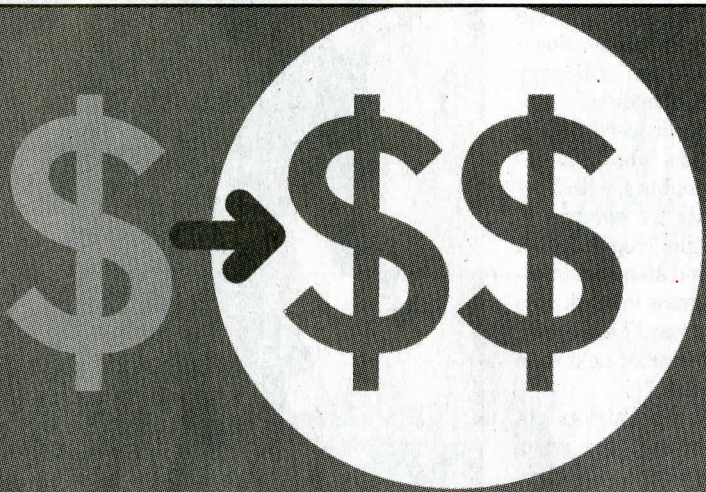
Reed disappeared from the Seattle area in 1999 after pleading guilty to possession of stolen property, including a book of her sister's checks. She disappeared before she could be sentenced.

Reed is no longer wanted in King County because her arrest warrant has expired.

In February 2008, police in suburban Chicago tracked Reed to a motel after spotting a car she had been known to be driving. Though she initially provided an Iowa driver's license with another woman's name, Reed soon admitted her true identity.

Reed also had fictitious marriage certificates, a birth certificate in her legal name and a Washington state driver's license. She was arrested and turned over to Secret Service agents.

In addition to the prison sentence, Reed was also ordered to pay \$125,000 in restitution to several victims.



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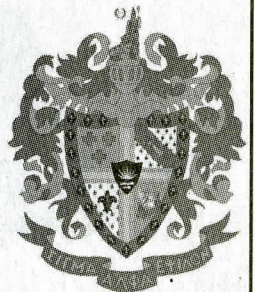
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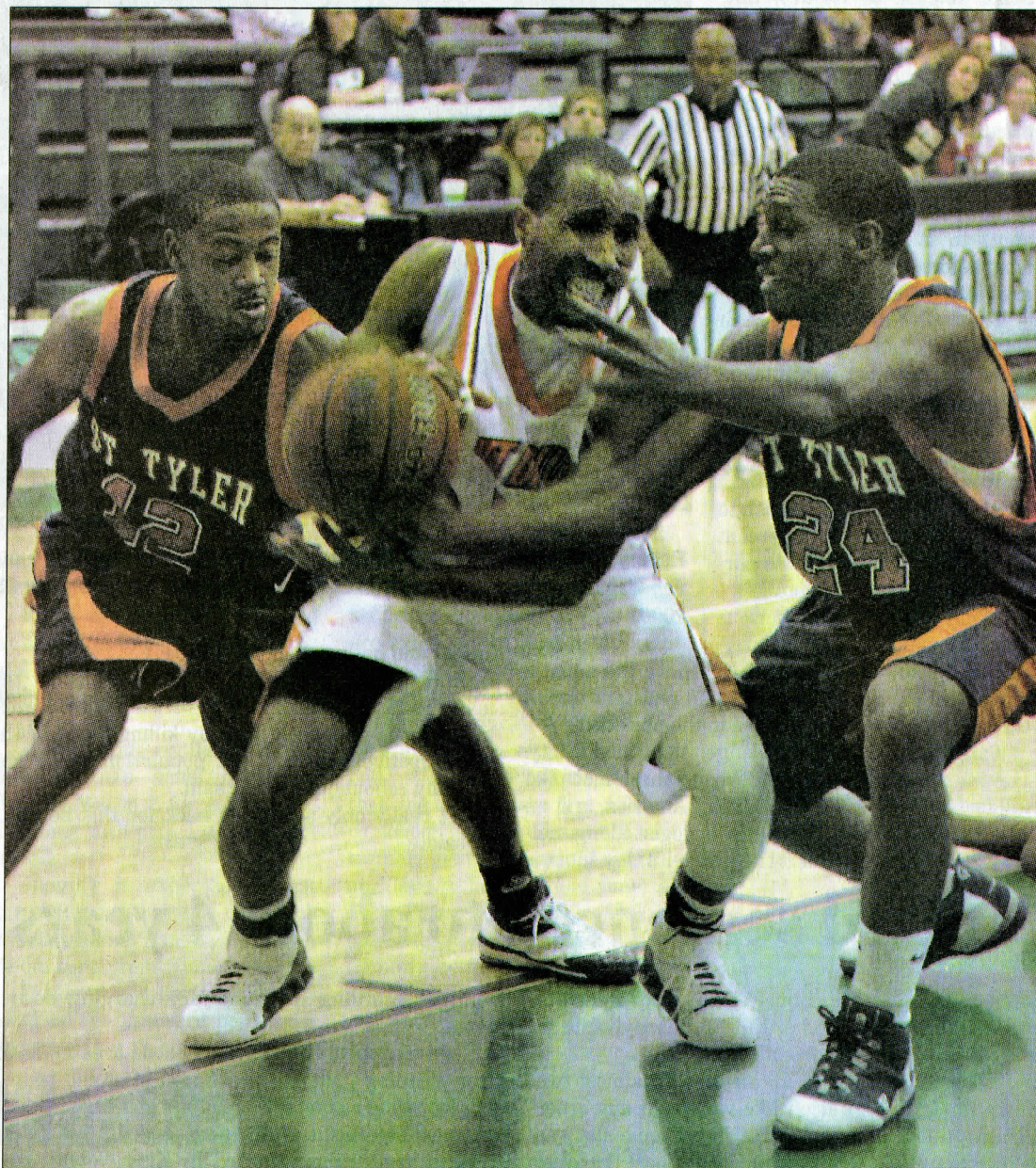
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Patriots inch closer to playoff berth



Patriots' Anthony Reese (left) and Michael Johnson (right) fight for a steal from a University of Texas at Dallas defender during the men's 55-48 loss Thursday in Richardson.

By Clay Ihlo

Staff Writer

University men's basketball team kept themselves in the hunt for a playoff berth after splitting road games last week against The University of Texas at Dallas and The University of the Ozarks.

The Patriots took a loss against UT Dallas (48-55) on Thursday night, but recovered with a win on Saturday versus the Eagles (71-55).

Thursday's game in Richardson started out very sloppy.

Both teams played defense to a certain extent, but shot very poorly with the lead staying very close for the whole half.

The largest difference was five, which belonged to the Patriots after Michael Johnson made a three-pointer from the right wing. However, the Comets charged back by scoring three unanswered baskets in the lane to take the lead back with 9:43 left in the half.

Shortly after, both team's games went from bad to worse.

Patriots' Anthony Reese made a short bank shot with seven and a-half minutes until halftime.

After that, neither team scored for the next six minutes.

Comets' Temaine Wright scored three points the old fashion way with 1:44 left on the clock to tie the game at 17, breaking the scoring drought.

Patriots' Hakeem Kareem scored on the next possession and the first half ended with a dismal 19-17 lead in favor of the Patriots.

The Patriots shot 30 percent during the half, 1-of-8 from the

three-point line. The Comets' stats were even worse, shooting 28.6 percent from the floor; 0-of-9 from beyond the arc. Wright led all scorers at the half with nine points.

The second half would be much better for both teams, especially for the Comets.

They took the lead several minutes into the half and after a 10-1 run and the Comets were up 39-28 with 10 minutes remaining.

The Patriots would get to within one point (41-40) after a 12-2 run of their own, but never could get the lead back.

The Comets increased their lead on jump shots and forced to the Patriots to foul to keep the game close. UT Dallas made seven free throws in a row down the stretch and capped off a 55-48 win.

Wright led all scorers with 15 points while the Comets had 22 points off turnovers and 18 second-chance points.

On Saturday, the Patriots traveled to Clarksville, Ark. to face the Ozarks, desperately needing a win to remain in the playoff hunt.

The Eagles gained the lead less than four minutes into the game and would keep it the rest of the half. In the first half, the Eagles were up as much as 15 and took a 13-point lead into the locker room. The Patriots did not help themselves either, shooting 25.8 percent in the first half.

In the second half, the Patriots played better than what arguably might be their best half all season.

The Patriots steadily chipped

away at the Ozarks lead and eventually tied the game at 46-46 with just over 10 minutes left.

From there on in, Kareem stole the show and the game for the Patriots.

Kareem scored 10 points in the last six minutes of the game, and finished with 29 points in the second half alone. Kareem ended the day with a career-high 35 points, shooting an astounding 15-of-20 from the field.

Patriots shot an astonishing 61.3 percent in the second half and were 9-11 from the free throw line.

"We shot the ball awful in the first half...[but] got some good looks in the second half and we managed to knock down shots," coach Kenny Bizot said. "Hakeem took over in the second half and he made some big threes as well."

Bizot also said the team's second half performance was something he had been expecting for a while.

With the win, the Patriots retained sole possession of the fourth and final playoff spot in the American Southwest Conference East Division after Mississippi College defeated East Texas Baptist on Saturday. The Patriots sit in fourth place with a 10-8 conference record while ETBU is 9-9 and in fifth place.

The Patriots can clinch its second consecutive playoff berth with one win and one ETBU loss or by just winning out the remaining two games on the season.

On Thursday, the Patriots travel to Louisiana College, who is in last place in the division.

Women fall short to #22 UT Dallas; respond with 89-59 win over Ozarks



By Jeremy Cotham
Sports Editor

RICHARDSON – In their last home game of the season, the No. 22 nationally ranked Lady Comets were not about to let the Patriots come into their place and pull off the upset.

Down 71-63 with 2:42 remaining, the Lady Comets (20-3, 17-1 in conference) went on a 9-1 run to force overtime and eventually pulled off the 90-83 comeback victory. The win gave the University of Texas at Dallas women its first American Southwest Conference East Division Championship.

"It is great to get that first division championship because these players have worked hard all season long for this," Lady Comets coach Polly Thomason said. "To clinch the division at home and cut down the nets in front of our own fans is a unique experience."

Getting the win, however, did not come easily for the Lady Comets.

The Patriots took command of the game from the beginning, jumping out to a 15-7 lead and extending it to 23-15. The Lady Comets then went on a 12-2 run to take their first lead of the game at 27-25 with 6:51 remaining in the first half.

Each team traded the lead once and the Lady Comets were ahead at halftime, 37-35.

For the first 15 minutes of the second half, both teams went back and forth with the lead growing to no more than two points on each side.

With 4:57 to go, Marzetta Shepard started what turned into an 8-0 run, giving the Patriots a 71-63 lead with 2:42 to go.

After Chelsea Edwards scored four straight for the Lady Comets to make it 71-67, Becky Taylor was fouled with 54 seconds remaining. Taylor missed the first free throw and made the second one to extend the Patriots lead to 72-67.

Lady Comets' Rachel Addison then went to free-throw line with 40 seconds left after being fouled and made both free throws, cutting the deficit to 72-69.

On the inbound play, the Patriots were immediately called for a crucial traveling turnover, giving UT Dallas the ball back with 37 seconds remaining.

That is when Lady Comets' leading scorer, Lyndsey Smith, stepped up and made the biggest shot of the night. The lefty drained a contested three-point shot, tying the game at 72-72, giving her 16 second-half points.

The Patriots then made another turnover on the inbound pass, giving UT Dallas a chance to win the game but their shot fell short with eight seconds remaining.

Once again, the Patriots had another chance to win the game, but Shepard drove the lane, missing the first shot, grabbed the offensive rebound and missed her second shot to win the game.

"Lyndsey is a special player and she hits big shots for us," Thomason said. "We just have to get her the ball and she will find the opening."

In overtime, UT Dallas went in with all the momentum and despite falling down by two early on, the Lady Comets got a 79-76 lead and never gave it up from there.

"We felt our defense wasn't the strongest the whole game but it was great to see it come through in overtime," Thomason said.

Smith led all scorers with 27 points, going 5-of-7 from beyond the arc. Other Lady Comets in double figures were Edwards with 19 and Lauren Hale with 17 points and nine rebounds.

On the Patriots side, they were led by Lindsay Eaton, who put in 26 points while grabbing eight

rebounds. "I thought Lindsay did a great job tonight," Deike said. "She made some key mistakes down the stretch but I am still very proud of her performance."

Following Eaton were Taylor and Marci Trogus, who both recorded double-double's, with Taylor finishing with 17 points and 15 rebounds while Trogus ended with 17 points and 10 rebounds.

"We had the game in our hands and we threw it away," Deike said. "We have to be smarter next time and learn from this."

On Saturday, the Patriots got back to its winning ways when they traveled to Clarksville, Ark. to defeat The University of the Ozarks, 89-59.

Eaton led all scorers with 21 points and pulled down 11 rebounds while Taylor followed closely with 20 points and recorded a game-high 13 rebounds.

With the loss to UT Dallas on Thursday and the win on Saturday against the Ozarks, the Patriots sit in third place in the ASC East Division with a 12-6 record, one game ahead of Louisiana College for fourth place.

The Patriot and Louisiana College meet Thursday night in Pineville, La.



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Patriots' Marzetta Shepard, left, drives to the basket against Lady Comets' Chelsea Smith during the women's heartbreaking 90-83 overtime loss against No. 22 nationally ranked University of Texas at Dallas.

Baseball sweeps doubleheader against Castleton State, 19-1 and 12-1



TALON >> KYLE G. HORST

Junior outfielder Keenan Duke, right, slides back into first base after a pickoff attempt by Castleton State College (Vermont) during the Patriots 19-1 win in game one of the doubleheader on Sunday at Irwin Field.

By Clay Ihlo
Staff Writer

The Patriots baseball team swept the doubleheader against Castleton State College (Vt.) by a combined 29 runs Sunday, 19-1 and 12-1.

The Patriots got out to a big lead in the first inning and never looked back in game one, scoring seven runs on just five hits.

The first run of the game was scored on a bases loaded walk by Keenan Duke that scored Brock Lemire. Kendall Fox, Jared Hood and Jeremy Harding followed up by driving in the rest of the runs in the inning.

The Patriots had another big inning in the fourth as Lemire and Chad Daleiden scored on a double by Paige Hodges, who later scored on a sacrifice fly by Duke. Two more runs would score on a Harding double and Lemire capped off the inning with a two run home run, making it 16-0.

Brett Holland made a nice recovery from his last start too. Holland lost his first start against Concordia last weekend in the Easton Classic, but got back to his winning ways on Sunday. In five innings he failed to give up a run, striking out eight on just 58 pitches for his first win of the year.

Castleton did score one run, which came in the seventh and was unearned. Jordan Robare reached on an error by first baseman Kyle Bondy and scored

on a double by Dan Conley.

Game two of the doubleheader was no different.

The Patriots scored three runs in the opening inning and another in the second.

Hood hit a two run homer in the first inning that scored Austin Newell and Harding scored later in the inning on a bases loaded walk by Daleiden.

The Patriots had another big inning in the fourth again. They scored eight runs on seven hits with Hood, Lemire, Towns, Newell and Harding all recording run RBI's in the inning.

Patriots starter Blake Booher was dominate again in only his second start. Booher pitched five innings giving up only one hit, no runs and striking out four. James Alvarado and Beau Ziegler pitched an inning apiece to close out the game.

"After the first game we changed our hitting approach a little...and the guys have responded well," head coach James Vilade said.

"We are getting an idea of where our depth is... and it's exciting to be able to move a guy from first to third and not lose anything defensively," Vilade said. "We have a luxury in our depth and we're testing it early."

The Patriots will play Castleton again Wednesday night at home, followed by a night game Friday and a doubleheader Saturday against The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor.

Inclement weather shortens Tennis season opener

By Jeremy Cotham
Sports Editor

The men and women's tennis teams were able to open the 2009 season on Saturday, despite inclement weather cutting it short.

Early in the morning, the Patriots, both men and women, easily took care of Schreiner University with each team sweeping their respective matches by a score of 9-0.

In the women's doubles match against Schreiner, the Patriots' duo of Brittany Ude and Lauren Giovannini won 8-3, followed by Sydni Hermsdorf and Hillary Stone winning 8-4, and lastly, Blair Wilson and Morgan Wilkins swept their doubles match, 8-0.

In the women's singles match, Lauren Nielsen (6-4, 6-1), Wilkins (6-2, 6-3), Stone (6-1, 6-3), Wilson (6-1, 6-0), Kelly Vann (6-0, 6-0) and Kaitlin Andress (6-0, 6-0) all recorded wins for the Patriots.

In the men's match against Schreiner, the doubles competition featured wins by the duos of Robert Sajovich and Andrew Reznik (8-0), Nick Kreines and Tripp Famer (8-1) and Shaun Maddox and Kevin Wright (8-0).

In the singles competition, Dustin Phillips (6-0, 6-0), Maddox (6-0, 6-0), Kreines (6-2, 6-1), Famer (6-1, 6-0), Brad Fenter (6-0, 6-0) and Chayce Stone (6-1, 6-0) all recorded wins.

Up next on the schedule for Saturday was a match up between the Patriots women's team and NCAA Div. II Ouachita Baptist University.

The Patriots took care of business there by completing another 9-0 sweep.

In the doubles competition, the same duos of Ude/Giovannini and Hermsdorf/Stone recorded wins while Beth Launius and Michelle Hagler teamed up to win the third doubles match against Ouachita.

In singles competition, Launius (6-2, 6-0), Hagler (3-6, 6-4, 10-8), Giovannini (6-4, 2-6, 10-4), Hermsdorf (6-0, 6-3), Ude (6-0, 6-1) and Wilkins (6-1, 6-1) all

Later in the day, the men started a doubles match with their next opponent, Division II Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and won all three matches.

The teams of Ashlock/Phillips, Sajovich/Reznik and Caleb Bulls and Dallas Darnell all brought home the wins.

However, Mother Nature was not so kind after that as the remaining portion of the match was cancelled, leaving the men without the victory.

The women's team was scheduled to play Division II Henderson State University later in the night, but the rain forced the match to be cancelled.

At the end of the day, the women, who are ranked No. 29 nationally, ended up with a 2-0 record

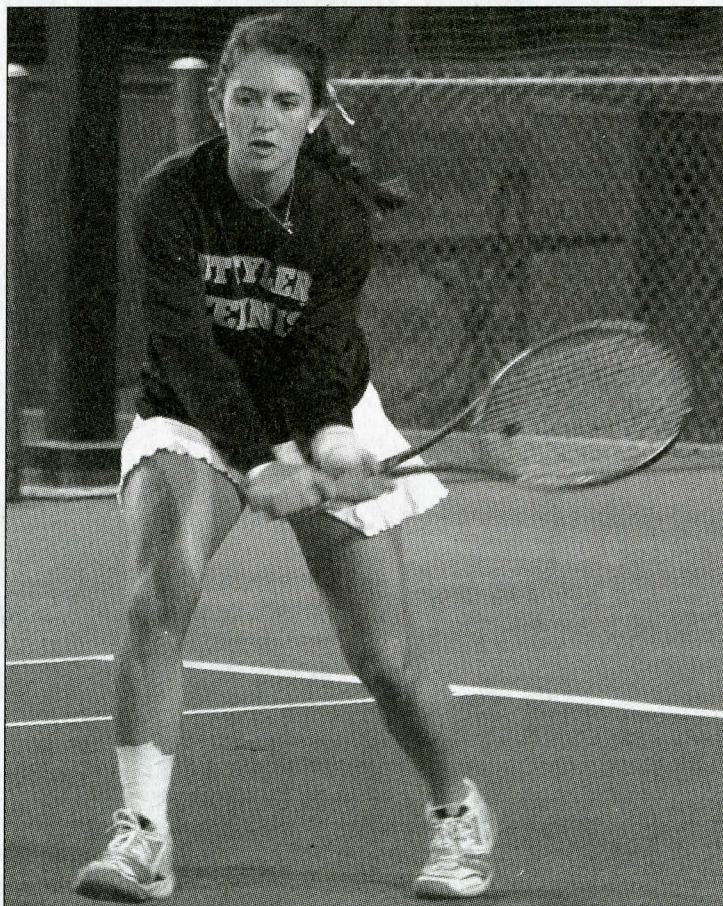
while the men, who are ranked No. 21 nationally, started out 1-0.

On Tuesday, the men travel to LeTourneau University to begin American Southwest Conference play with the match to begin at 3 p.m.

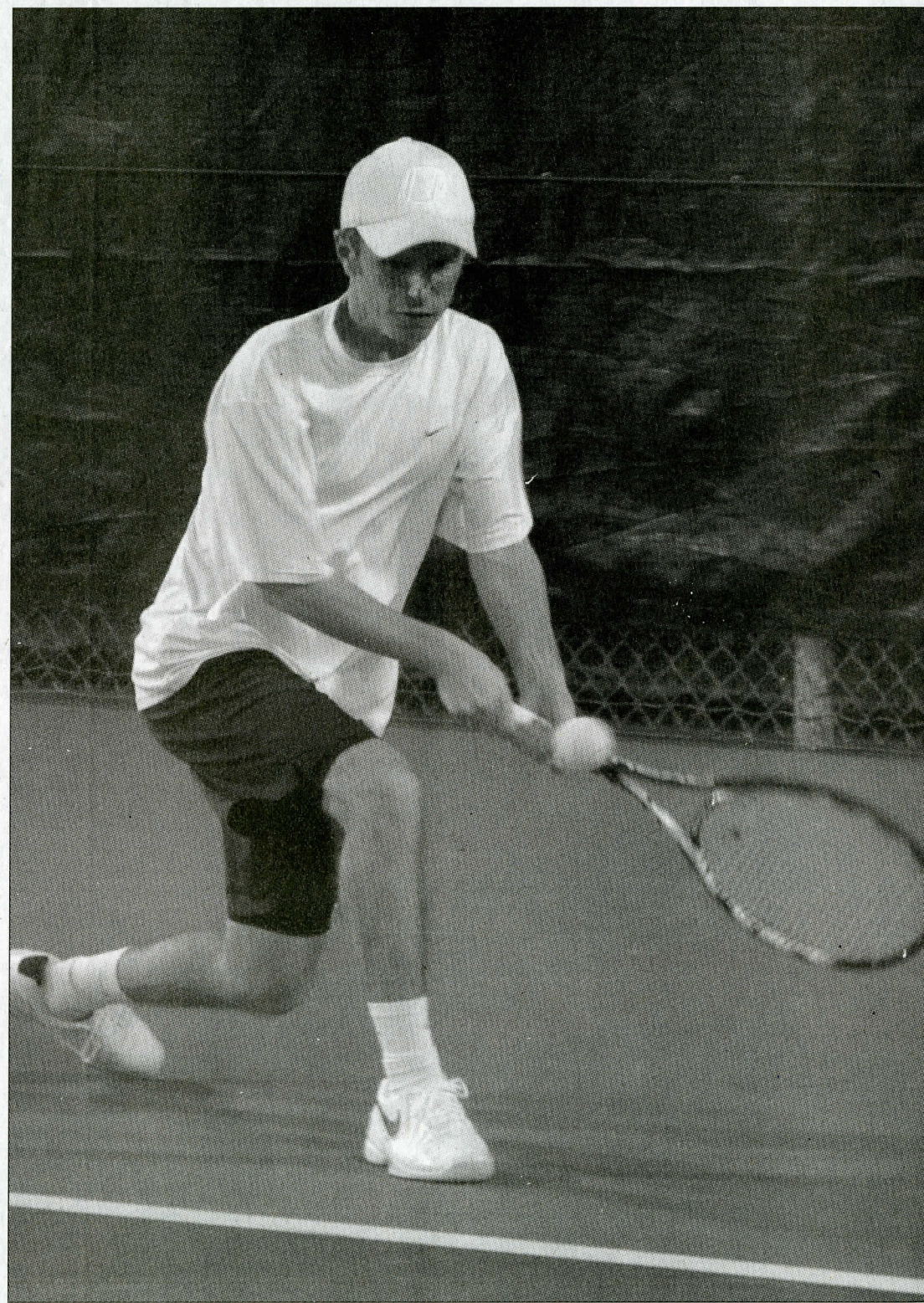
The very next day, it is the women's turn to go to LeTourneau and begin conference action with their match starting at 3 p.m. as well.

The Patriots follow that up with a weekend road trip to play some ASC West Division schools in McMurry University, Hardin-Simmons University and Howard Payne University.

However, these matches do not count against the conference record; only matches against ASC East schools count.



Junior Brittany Ude prepares to return the ball to her opponent during a doubles match against Henderson State University on Saturday. The



Junior David Ashlock sets up for a return volley during the men's match with Southeastern Oklahoma University on Saturday at the Summers Tennis Center. The match began with the Patriots going up 3-0 in the doubles

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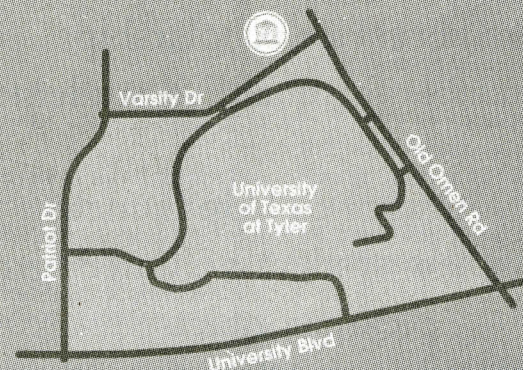


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